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Ms. Carol Hanlon Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Office U.S. Department of Energy P.O. Box 30307 North Las Vegas NV 89036

RE: State Application Identifier: MD20010917-1026

Project: Yucca Mountain Science and Engineering Report

Dear Ms. Hanlon:

Thank you for providing the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) with the opportunity to comment on the above-referenced project. Copies of the documents were circulated throughout MDE for review, and it has been determined that this project is consistent with MDE's plans, programs and objectives.

Again, thank you for giving MDE the opportunity to review this project. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to call me at (410) 631-4120.

Sincerely,

Joane D. Mueller

MDE Clearinghouse Coordinator

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